

Ordinary Meeting

Meeting Date: Monday, 14 October, 2024
Location: Council Chambers, City Administrative Building, Bridge Road, Nowra
Time: 5.30pm

Membership (Quorum - 7)
All Councillors

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HPERM Ref: D24/438043

Recommendation

That Council:

1. Welcomes all the newly elected, re-elected and former Councillors to Council and congratulates them all on taking the Oath or Affirmation of Office on Friday 11 October 2024.
2. Thanks Minister Peter Dover from Salt Ministries for his blessing and ongoing support of Council.

Details

On Friday 11 October 2024 all newly elected Councillors from the 14 September Local Government Elections were officially sworn into office at a Welcome Ceremony held at the Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre.

Each Councillor proudly stood before a gathering of family, friends, colleagues, Council staff and Minister Peter Dover and officially took the Oath or Affirmation of Office to formally undertake their roles as Councillors on Shoalhaven City Council.

I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to Minister Peter Dover of Salt Ministries for his blessing of the Council and his ongoing support.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all my fellow colleagues:

Ward One and newly elected Councillors Selena Clancy, Jason Cox and Peter Wilkins, and re-elected Ward One Councillor Matthew Norris.

Newly elected Ward Two Councillors Luciano Casmiri and Ben Krikstolaitis, and welcome back former Councillors Bob Proudfoot and Jemma Tribe.

Re-elected Ward Three Councillor Gillian Boyd, newly elected Councillors Karlee Dunn and Natalee Johnston and former Councillor Mitch Pakes.

Together I look forward to working with you all for the betterment and benefit of the Shoalhaven community.

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MM24.36 Mayoral Minute - Mayors First Official Engagement - Yila Healing Trail Corroboree

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Recommendation

That Council notes Mayor Patricia White's first official community engagement, attending the Yila Healing Trail Corroboree on Friday 11 October 2024.

Details

On Friday 11 October 2024 I had pleasure of being invited to attend and take part in the welcoming ceremony of the Yila Healing Trail Corroboree at Paringa Park Nowra as my first official community engagement as Mayor of the Shoalhaven.

It was an honour to receive a Coolamon, hand crafted by Ronald McLeod from wood lifted from the 2019 -20 Currowan fires symbolising that Council, and the Aboriginal Community are walking together caring for Country. Made from Red Gum, it also symbolises the healing that has happened and is still ongoing following Black Summer and reminds us that the healing needs to continue and be amplified.

I welcomed the opportunity as Mayor to share with the community how proud I am of Councils commitment to working with community on our cultural priorities, especially Councils commitment to our first Reconciliation Action Plan.

Highlighting the importance of the work and collaboration already undertaken by representatives from the Aboriginal Advisory Committee, and our staff who are part of the Working Group and Yarning Group, Aboriginal Community members, Elders and services that have volunteered their time to help Council develop this significant document. A great collective effort and demonstration of our dedication to inclusivity and collaboration.

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